

# **Harrison Neighborhood Crime and Safety Data**

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**Neighborhood:** Harrison

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**Project Description:** Harrison Neighborhood Association receives monthly crime statistics from their CCP/Safe officer showing the locations of various crimes in the neighborhood. The data is not in a useful format and does not allow views of crime over time for instance. The neighborhood wanted to put the maps in an electronic format that was compatible with their GIS parcel data.

**Process:** Paper copies of crime statistics were added as a GIS layer by placing points on a map of the neighborhood. Attribute data was added for the month the crime occurred and the type of crime (homicide/rape, burglary, auto theft, assault). In addition a map was created showing all residences within 300 ft. of burglaries in a particular month. This map was used to create a mailing to residents in these areas informing them of burglaries occurring nearby.

**Progress:** Three months worth of crime data has been entered. This project will be continually updated as new crime reports are received.

**Outcomes:** The resulting GIS layer makes it possible to display crimes in Harrison over time and by type of crime. This allows neighborhood staff to identify areas of persistent crime and focus outreach efforts. This project will also help inform the crime and safety committee's "watch list", help with outreach efforts, will prove useful in the neighborhood's contact with the police department



**Challenges/Limitations:** More information regarding crime including reports on additional types of crime would be useful.

**Data Sources:** City of Minneapolis Police Department.

# Burglary of Residence Harrison, March 2001-February 2002



## Legend

-  Burglary of Residence
-  parcels



# January 2002 Crime Data



# January 2002 Crime Map

## Areas within 300 Ft. of Burglaries in Harrison

